WORK CONDUCTED BY THE NEW YORK RESCUE BAND.

Women, Men, and Boye Tell of Their Reclamation from the Degraded Life of the Quarter, and Hope Tell of Their Association with the Chinese and Their Use of Option Just the heart of the Chinese quarter, is a long, low room which each night, between the hours of 10 and 12 o'clock, is brilliantly lighted. At intervals during these two hours a listener will hear the familiar arrs of the Gospel hymns sensure with fervor, though at times slightly out of tune and rhythm. The room occupies the ground floor of No. 17 of the narrow, winding street, which is little better than an alleyway, and the singers are for the most part the nameless outcast women of the street and the degraded men who live in and about the region of Chatham square, or are habitual frequenters of its dens two hours a printing of the respectable poor who live near.

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the contrast is a forcible appeal." Although the work is primarily in the interest of fallen women, men are not debarred from the meetings, and the sexes are about equally divided as regards the numbers that attend Bixty-five dollars a month is paid for the use

out."

One man, an ex-convict, declared bitterly that during the fifteen years he had been in prison at Albany no one had ever come to him to offer him religious teaching. A vigorous-looking young man whose speech savored strongly of the Howery, with a jolly, rubic and face, pleased his listeners mightily. He beamed upon them



HITTING THE PIPE.

of the long, narrow, whitewashed goom which seats about 150. The place is usually filled to its capacity. Colored prints of Bible access and festions and wreath of colored dissue paper are on the walls. Several signs announce: "Testimonies limited to five minutes." A stove supplies the necessary heat, and the seats are common wooden chairs. A small organ, somewhat wheen in tone, stands on the platform, which is divided from the main body of the room by a railing. A rude stand constructed as a palpit deek holds a well-word. Bible, that while there are no carpets, rushious, rising the stands of the room by a railing. A rude stand constructed as a palpit deek holds a well-word. Bible, that while there are no carpets, rushious, railing of the room by a railing. A rude stand constructed as a palpit deek holds a well-word. The meeting begins at a Chinuse restaurant, and an occasional clatter is heard, which, however, reastes me disturbances. 10 o'clock. About 9 with meeting begins at a Chinuse restaurant, and an occasional clatter is heard, which, however, reastes an disturbance.

The meeting begins at 20 o'clock. About 9 with meeting the platform which can net to be fully conceived unless seen and sturbance. The rest of the runs and sturbance in the dingry alleyway is ever changing, yet ever the same. But the women who wander here are not attired in gaudy intery and gems, as are those to be found a store the unper parts of town. Here the place of the runs young men who wander under the special policies and who have the special policies and the special policies. The champagnin of the brain and sturbance of the runs young men who wander under the special policies. When he had seen a regular libration of the brain and the place of the runs young men who wander under the place of the runs young men who wander under the place of the runs young men who wander under the place of the runs and the place of the runs young men who wander under the place of the runs that the place of the runs young men who wander under the plac

burned in the glass jar of sweet oll, and placing it over the tiny hole on the flat bowl of the pipe turned the bowl over the flame, and, taking a dozen puffs, took the pipe from he mouth and laughed as she cald: "There, that's all there is to it."

"How many pipes do you smoke a day?"

"Oh, fifty don't affect me. I smoke about a dollar's worth of opium a day."

"Have you been smoking long?"

"About four years. But it is only the last four months that I have got the yen-yen, which means the opium habit. Hefore that I only smoked occasionally, but now I can't get along without it. It's all nonsense about people tell-



CHRISTIAN UNITY

THE VATICAN AND THE EASTERN CHURCHES.

The Meeting in Rome of Delegates from the Pope and the Eastern Churches-The Melchife Patriarch a Valuable Recent to the Papal Theory-The Pope's Rescript.

ROME, Nov. 28 .- The great assize of the Vatican to unite the Roman and the Eastern churches has just come to an end, We seemed to see once more the times when Cardinal Bessarion, exiled from Byzantium, was the guest of the Popes, and was consecrated the Peter the Bermit of the crusade for the rebuilding of religious unity. In the soul of Leo XIII, throbs that thought of religious union which was the essence and the ideal of the middle ages. The apostolic letter to princes and peoples was merely the brilliant artificial fire intended to light up the approach to this historical event. countries have listened at the doors of the Vatican, where an organ of internal life seems to be in process of formation, a sort of unity of human conscience, in order to discover the secret. This problem is so intimately connected with cosmopolitan and European affairs, is so attractive to minds bushed with the social and religious development of the human race, it is bound up so closely and so deeply with the idea of a drawing together of all churches, that it has occupied and still occupies the thoughts of all in Rome and is one of the most fascinating phenomena of our end of the century.

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call of Rome. A natural development of the letter to princes and peoples, it will be a promise of automony and an appeal. The letter treathers evangelical charity and the most pathetic sontiments. I have heard a Cardinal, who has read it, enthusiastically express his admiration and respect.

These are the facts: What will be the results of this labor? The scheme for the union of the churches has three groups in view; the groups in the Levant, the Greek, and the Slav groups. The first result of the conferences will be to draw closer the neighboring. Levantine group of Oriental Fatriars his, Here, though international rivalries play a part which must not be underessimated, the greatest difficulty will be the financial question. Mgr. Youssel said to mer. "I should have all the conversions! wish if I had money: I have been obliged to refuse neighboring; it have conversed many, but I had neighbor press, nor schools, nor churches; give me money and we shall be hear the goal." Moreover several little Sprian and Egyptian churches have begun negotiations for a reconciliation with Rome. Soon we shall see the first fruits of this political evolution exercises a greationalized by the German universities, while be fractious, almost irrepressible. The world of politics is divided. A double current is felt, that of the Minister Tricoupis, who halls in the minon a principle of redemption for accient Greece, once the birthplace of culture and the pioneer of civilization; the other favorable to the Triple Alliance, and especially to Austria, therefore distinctly houtle. Prejudices, partiality, national rivairies, unchristian sprift, investment in the lake a penisula and the Russian world; the lace and the pioneer of civilization; the other favorable to the Triple Alliance, and especially to Austria, therefore distinctly houtle. Prejudices, partiality, national rivairies, unchristian sprift, investmentable barriers, the great and from the conflict pechaps light will-some.

The Slav group is divided into two parts, that in the Rus

terting steller? propose the problem without answering it.

The stake in the drama, as can be seen is an immense one for the whole world. From the coarse which this idea of union will take depends in part the question of the ultimate drawing closer of Anglicanism and the Frotestant churches to the ancient and venerable metropolis of Christianity.

INNOMINATO.

OTERO AND THE CZAR.

Most persons who remember the first manta for Spanish dancing some four years ago have not forgotten Otero. After she left New York she appeared in Berlin, Paris, Vienna, and Budapest. In all four cities she was known as the diamond queen, because her neck, wrists, and bedies were ablaze with gems whenever and her diamonds columns of free advertising, but stopped short when informed that she had sold all her gems at auction for \$57. The sale took place in Budapest about two years ago:

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EUROPEAN CITIES FAR WORSE OFF THAN NEW YORK. None of Them Has a System Which Pos-

seases Speed, Cheapmens, and Comfort-Seat Limitation Causes Inconvenience, "We New Yorkers do a lot of kicking about the lack of rapid transit, but a few months' experience in the cities of Europe would make us all prouder of our transit facilities," said a returned New Yorker. "London has, perhaps, in her underground system and its connections, the nearest approach to rapid transit of any European city. It is convenient if you want to travel in the line of its circles, but is slower than the omnibuses if you want to cross the city inside the circle. In New York you can quickly get within a block or two of almost any point by the elevated. Comfort is not a point on which the Londoners claim much for the underground. David Christie Murray was free to admit here the other day that it is 'a stenching nuisance' to every unfortunate passenger.compelled to use it. I met lots of Londoners who could not use the underground because of its suffocating stenches. It made my wife positively ill this summer. The omnibuses and train cars of London are plenti-ful enough, and convenient in their way, but they are not rapid. London's most rapid means of transit system is its rubber-tired hansoms. They are a constant delight. Very much has been done to perfect the pavements of London within the past four or five years, and there are dozens of miles of the principal streets paved with the smoothest and most nicely graded asphalt and wood, over which the springy hansoms roll on their thick rubber tires at a very lively gait and with the utmost comfort to the occupant, if he isn't at all nervous. One night last September I rode in a hansom five and a half miles in twen-

ty-seven minutes. But it cost seventy-five cents. "In Liverpool, the second largest city in the British empire, the transit facilities are almost grotesque. The city is gridironed with tramways, and the cars are comfortable enough, except on cold or wet days, but I don't think any one there ever supposed that the expeditious transportation of citizens about the city was part of their purpose. The routes are most circultous, and on all but perhaps three or four it is easy to walk as quickly from the starting place to the centring point, at the town hall or frequently I have started from one end of a frequently I have started from one end of a turns the corners; that there is quite route at the time a car started, and walking a current up and down the cross streets, and

frequently I have started from one end of a route at the time a car started, and walking at an ordinary pace have reached the other end before the same car. For instance, the tram cars from Everton to the Town Hall cover a distance in as straight a line as a man may wak of about two and a half miles, and take three-equarters of an hour to do it. They go in a most exasperating, roundabout way, for the only reason, as I could learn, of covering as much territory as possible, and thus carrying the more passengers. All street cars in Liverpool stor running at 11 o'clock at might, as they do in practically all towns in Great Britain, even in London. After that time you must foot it or hire a hack.

"Then a car may only carry as many passengers as there are seals for. This seems a very proper and commendable rule until you chase the last car for a block and find the seats filled, and are compelled to walk half a mile or so toward the starting place of the cars in order to get a chaince to ride. Lime street, the shopping centre of Liverpool is about a quarter or half a mile from the starting piace of all the tram cars, except those of three routes. The cars usually fill up at the start, and so the majority of passengers must perforce walk there or walk home. This is especially exasperating or Saturday nights, when every one is out marketing. You will see a stream of people walking toward the Town Hall, and when you get there a quarter of half a mile from the starting piace of three routes. The cars usually fill up at the form half a mile from the starting piace of the cars in order to get a chaine to ride. Lime street, the shopping centre of Liverpool is about a quarter or half a mile from the starting piace of three routes. The cars usually fill up at the form the start, and so the majority of passengers along the product of the cars in order to get a chaine to route the cars to usually fill up at the form the start, and so the majority of passengers along the product of the cars in order to get a chaine to route the

the Town Hall, and when you get there a quarter of an hour before the last car starts you find three times as many people waiting for it as it can carry. Then you must scrimmage for a place. If the conductor, on starting, finds too many passengers aboard some one has got to go. Of course there is rarely any means of knowing who was last to get aboard, and the invariable result is rank injustice, and the man with the most gall gets the seat.

"Of course, the idea is that the car company must put on enough cars to accommodate the traffic. But it doesn't. The cars run seven to afteen minutes apart, even on the most crowded routes. I have on one or two occasions waited three-quarters of an hour for a chance of a seat, and have at last had to take my place in the rish line, and submit to the transpling and manifug of the mob. Getting a seat on a street car and a seat in a theatre are about the same thing on a crowded night; a thing to remember with horror.

"The criticism with regard to night stoppage, seat limitation, and scrimmage is true of every city in Great Britain. And on the score of comfort the transit facilities are about on a par. Stoves in street cars are unknown. Indeed, only last winter was any practical effort made to warm railroad cars for long journers. Outside seats are a luxury in hot summer weather, but when you are compelled to occupy one on a cold, wet day your ideas are subject to revision. But as there are more seats outside than inside, you are often compelled to ride on top, it's a pieasant experience to sit on a wet wood sent for an hour while the car logs you along a couple of inflee or so. Open cars for summer and closed cars for winter are not a feature of European

please in Rudgest about two years ago; the purchaser was a lungarian soubsette. From that time nutl late in last month little with heard of Gero. Three weeks ago, however, this paragraph went the rounds of the left and Vienna dallies.

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There is quite a climatic difference between up town and down town in New York. It is equally noticeable in summer and winter. A man gets into the elevated train anywhere above Forty-second street on a sultry July morning and has to fan himself with his hat to get up a little circulation of air, but if he gets off at any station below Chambers street he will the pier head, as the tram will make it. Quite | find that little breezy puffs meet him as he

A Young Lady of Observation Says They

"If you will allow me the 'Hibernicism," said a young lady of observation. " I would like you to note for me that the true index flager is the thumb. I do not mean that from the length of a blonde divinity or a brunette fate awaiting you, or that from its spatulated or oval nail I can tell whether you like pictures or home races all that sort of digital compuring I leave to the palm my-ticlets. But what I do meen in that the thumb is a remarkable indicator of its